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1. BASIC INSTRUCTIONS RE US POLICY ON UNCTAD CANDIDACY
CONTAINED DEPT A-8610 TO USUN. COPY WAS POUCHED TO
COLOMBO IN LAINGEN/VAN HOLLEN LETTER NOV. 2. OPERATIVE
PASSAGES ARE AS FOLLOWS: "THE UNITED STATES SHOULD NOT
ACTIVELY LOBBY FOR ANY PARTICULAR CANDIDATE SINCE THIS
MIGHT BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
THE UNITED STATES PERMREP, OR HIS DESIGNEE, SHOULD AT
AN APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY INDICATE TO UN SECGEN THAT IN
OUR VIEW DR. GAMANI COREA OF SRI LANKA AND JANEZ
STANOVNIK, EXECSEC OF ECE, ARE BOTH EXCELLENT CANDIDATES.
... IF DELEGATES OF COUNTRIES WITH CANDIDATES PRESS US
FOR OUR VIEWS, WE SHOULD POINT OUT THAT DECISION IS ONE
FOR THE SECGEN TO MAKE AND WE BELIEVE IT MIGHT UNDULY
COMPLICATE HIS TASK IF WE MADE OUR VIEWS PUBLIC OR
DISCUSSED THEM WITH THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED."

2. IN VIEW THIS GUIDELINE EMBASSY SHOULD NOT INDICATE
TO GSL WHO USG IS SUPPORTING. WE WOULD HOPE THAT IF
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COREA CANDIDACY SHOULD PROVE SUCCESSFUL WE MIGHT AT

LATER DATE INDICATE TO GSL MANNER OF OUR SUPPORT TO
COREA AND REASON WE DID NOT WISH REVEAL OUR POSITION SOONER.
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